

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s)

Tatsuo YOKOI et al.

Serial No.

To be Assigned (National Phase of PCT Appl. No.

PCT/JP2004/014286)

Filed

Herewith (March 20, 2006)

For

HOT ROLLED STEEL SHEET FOR PROCESSING AND

METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Examiner

To be Assigned

Art Unit

To be Assigned

EXPRESS MAIL NO.: EV 642 787 797 US

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Kindly amend the above-identified application before examination and calculation of the filing fee as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the originally-filed Specification with the Substitute Specification which is enclosed herewith. A marked-up comparison between the English language translation of the originally-filed PCT application and the Substitute Specification is also enclosed.